

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 5-7, 9-12, 16, 17 and 19-24 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 5, 7, 12, 17 and 21-24 are amended and claims 2-4, 8, 13-15 and 18 are canceled. In particular, the features of claims 2-4 have been incorporated into independent claims 1, 7, 12 and 17.

Entry of the Amendment is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 since the Amendment: (a) places the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein; (b) does not raise any new issues requiring further search and/or consideration; (c) does not add any additional claims; and (d) places the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. Entry of the Amendment is thus respectfully requested.

Claims 1-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over Enmei, U.S. Patent No. 6,067,082. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Enmei fails to disclose a communication terminal apparatus that determines if geographical division-specific parameters have been previously stored in a second memory, and (1) reads at least one geographical division-specific parameter and at least one non-geographical division-specific parameter or (2) only reads at least one geographical division-specific parameter, based on the determination, as variably recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17.

Enmei discloses a portable communicator where data required for linking a wireless telephone set 7 to a wireless telephone network in each country or service area is written in the ROM 44 (col. 35, lines 56-65). Fig. 114 illustrates a service area control process routine. If the global pertinent setting is started, the registered service area data is output at S2410. For the output of the registered service area data, the data stored in the ROM 44 as well as the data stored in the variables memory 40A of the global coverage unit 40 are converted to the specified mode of data mode and are written into the service area image plane memory 27P (col. 40, lines 42-55).

If there is a change in the service area selection, the wireless telephone unit 89 is set at S2460 and the telephone controller 41 is set at S2470 (col. 40, lines 55-64). Although Enmei may determine if there is a change in the service area selection, Enmei fails to provide any disclosure as to whether 1) both at least one geographical division-specific parameter and at least one non-geographical division-specific parameter are read or (2) only at least one geographical division-specific parameter is read as recited in independent claims 1, 7, 12 and 17. The combination of features recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17 thus has advantages over Enmei in that an appropriate amount of time is used in order to store parameters, as discussed on page 4, line 25 - page 5, line 2, for example, of Applicants' specification.

It is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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